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## NOVEL READING.

On the occasion of the annual distribution of certificates to the successful students at the Working Men's College, Great Ormond-street, the Principal, Professor A. V. Dicey, delivered his customary address, selecting 'Novel Reading' as the subject for discussion. He said it might be supposed that before such a gathering—as that he would say that novels were narcotics, and that novel reading was a most dangerous habit from which all of them ought to abstain, and that it would do them nothing but harm. All that, he knew, was the right thing to say, but there were two reasons which prevented him saying it. The first was, that from his youth up he had been a confirmed novel reader (laughter); therefore, he was not really in a position to deal with very great severity with the fault of novel reading, though he knew it had been thought a considerable defect. Then, also, he had a little doubt as to the truth of the charge of the great evil done by novels. He had occasionally met with cases where he had been told respectable gentlemen who had gone to the gallows traced their ruin back to Harrison Ainsworth's 'Jack Sheppard.' It so happened that he had read 'Jack Sheppard' (laughter), and he could tell them that he had rarely read a tract which was more solemn, and less calculated to do harm, than the unadmitted career of 'Jack Sheppard' as told by Harrison Ainsworth (laughter and applause). He wanted them to consider what it was 'they could get from novels. In the first place, the great gain we got from novel reading was that we were taken out for the time from our own petty thoughts, and got something fresh and new to think about. The great object of a novel, the primary object, was to carry us out of ourselves. One was not by any means always one's own master. It was always a whole something to get out of one's own company, and he knew no way that did that better than taking up a novel which interested him. Novels had another quality: they were most of us the real introduction to life and thought. Having referred to and given specimens of the good and bad points of the historical novel, Professor Dicey remarked that Sir Robert Gifford once said to him, 'Novels never lie.' What was meant by that statement was that a novel which was about the time of the writer must inevitably contain in its main statements the truth as great deal more than would be found in other kinds of books. If they wanted really to know the state of things and life in the eighteenth century, they had far better read as much on solid histories as on the novels of such authors as Richardson and Fielding. A thousand years hence, if people wanted to know what the life of the nineteenth century was, they would get a better sense of it from studying the works of Scott, Dickens, Trollope, and Thackeray. They could really get the truest contemporary history from novels, and trace the changes in the periods they went through. To sum up, his moral was, 'Read novels, read them if you like in plenty, but take care that you read novels of a good kind, each good of its kind. If you like a detective story, take care you read a good detective story, and think about what you have read' (loud applause).

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## Intimations.



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W. CHATHAM,  
Director of Public Works.  
Public Works Department,  
Hongkong, January 8, 1934. 56



## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Stonecutters Island (East and South Shore Batteries) in a South-Westerly direction, at ranges from 600 to 4,500 yards, on the 15th instant, and from Lyemun (Pakshawan Battery) in the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay at ranges from 600 to 4,500 yards on the 16th instant.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, Practice will take place on the 18th instant.

Practice will commence at 9 a.m. on the 15th instant, and at 9.30 a.m. on the 16th instant, and at 11 a.m. daily, if the range is clear.

By Command,  
A. M. THOMSON,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, January 8, 1934. 54



## GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, BRITISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 30 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 a.m. on the 12th January, 1934.

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His Majesty's Treasury Office,  
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**MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.**  
Miscellaneous.  
7.30 p.m.—Old Alhambra Dinner at  
Hongkong Hotel.  
Goods per *Alma* undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

**General Memoranda.**  
TUESDAY, January 12.—  
11 a.m.—Government Bills received by  
Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Depart-  
ment.

WEDNESDAY, January 13.—  
Transfer Books of The China Provident  
Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., closed from  
this date to the 16th January, 1904,  
inclusive.  
Goods per *Alma* undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, January 14.—  
9 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of  
The China Provident Loan and Mortgage  
Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.  
9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volun-  
teer Corps at City Hall.  
Transfer Books of The National Bank of  
China, Ltd., closed from this date to the  
16th January, inclusive.

FRIDAY, January 15.—  
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of  
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9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volun-  
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SATURDAY, January 16.—  
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of  
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9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volun-  
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Transfer Books of The National Bank of  
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SUNDAY, January 17.—  
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Gives immediate relief and quickly cures  
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Is a pleasant cure for Chapped Lips, and  
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January 9, 1904.

**BIRTHS.**  
At 5 Ripon Terrace, the wife of L. J.  
RAZAVI, of a Son.  
On the 7th inst., at the Govt. Civil  
Hospital, Hongkong, the wife of E. G.  
JORDAN, of a Son. Both well.

**DEATHS.**  
On January 2, at the General Hospital,  
Shanghai, ELIZABETH, the beloved wife of  
H. J. Such.  
On January 3, at the General Hospital,  
Shanghai, FRED. HOTT, aged 30 years,  
deeply regretted.  
On January 3, at Hainan Road, JOHN  
KROUSE, aged 62 years.  
On January 4, at Pootung, HELEN  
MARGARET, aged 2 years, second daughter  
of H. M. and Alice Thompson.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 6.00 p.m.

**The China Mail.**

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1904.

YESTERDAY, Hongkong suffered from  
war spasms. These attacks are periodic.  
They are too often the result of looking  
at the political situation through the  
unreliable medium of the social con-  
tail. It cannot be said that the local  
journals have inflamed the public imagi-  
nation. Throughout the present crisis,  
a commendable self-restraint has been a  
marked feature of the Hongkong news-  
papers; even Shanghai has refrained from  
"batters." On the other hand, by their  
feverish activity afloat and ashore, the  
naval authorities have provided scope  
for speculation; and, not to be behind  
their naval colleagues, the military au-  
thorities have now begun alarms and  
excursions, and profess to be astonished  
that their splash of martial display and  
subsequent air of mystery have aroused  
a spirit of wild speculation amongst the  
general public. Whether the detach-  
ment of Sherwood Foresters was destin-  
ed for Canton, Amoy, Seoul or Peking  
does not much matter; but the display  
that was made yesterday, seriously con-  
sidered, is remarkable for the excellence  
of the local military organisation and  
the readiness with which the various  
units of the garrison can be mobilised  
to grapple with any emergency.

To the community of Hongkong, the  
most serious phase of the Russo-Japanese  
dispute is the danger of Great Britain  
becoming involved in the quarrel. It  
is popularly believed that Britain has  
been a restraining influence on Japan  
in the protracted negotiations over the  
occupation of Manchuria by Russia; and  
the more serious writers in the  
British Press, influenced doubtless by  
the sobering experiences through which  
the nation passed in its conflict in South  
Africa, have shown a hesitancy to  
suggest active assistance to Japan  
while bestowing upon our Far Eastern  
ally the fullest measure of sympathy.

But the wily machinations of Russia  
have awakened a spirit of strong resent-  
ment. Whilst professing pacific inten-  
tions and willingness to evacuate Man-  
churia, according as the word "evacua-  
tion" is understood in Russia, Russian  
statesmen have been strengthening their  
naval and military forces and disposing  
them in such manner as to enforce the  
conviction that Russia intends to be  
master of the situation in Northern  
China. British restraint, therefore,  
though dictated by a wise desire to  
prevent her ally being drawn in to  
hopeless conflict, has actually put  
Japan into a worse strategic posi-  
tion than she was six months  
ago, assuming her army and navy to be  
efficient and ready for immediate hos-  
tilities. It is the recognition of this fact  
that has deepened the feeling of sym-  
pathy for Japan in Great Britain. We  
can understand the growing desire to  
render Japan assistance to rescue her  
from the situation into which British  
diplomacy appears to have led her. It  
is generally conceded that Great Brit-  
ain cannot afford to allow Japan to be  
defeated by Russia. Russia's position  
in the Far East—already very strong—  
would then be predominant and un-  
assailable. Japan as an ally to Great  
Britain would be valueless. It is doubt-  
ful if Japan would be willing to con-  
tinue an alliance with a nation which  
deserted her at the time of crisis. In  
order to preserve the balance of power  
in the Far East, it is essential that the  
Anglo-Japanese alliance should be main-  
tained, and, if it is the intention of the  
British Government to continue that  
alliance and retain Japan's friendship,  
it is becoming more than ever apparent  
that Britain's relation to Japan must be  
something more than sympathetic. This  
is the serious aspect of the situation  
which appears to be uppermost in Lon-  
don now, and some idea of how near Great  
Britain is to war with Russia may be  
formed by the following quotation from  
a leading article in the *Standard* of 5th  
ult.—"Whatever may be the strength or

the weakness of the Russian forces in the  
Liao-tung Peninsula and on the Yalu,  
it is certain that every day adds some-  
thing to their numbers. Naturally,  
the Japanese experts favour a prompt  
appeal to the arbitration of arms, and  
find in Russian delay not only an af-  
front but also a source of danger. It  
must be conceded that, if, in the last  
resort, there must be a conflict, the  
Party of action are right. Yet no  
friend of Japan can contemplate a  
collision without the deepest solicitude  
and sorrow. Whatever the present  
vulnerability of Russia may be in these  
regions, it has almost inexhaustible re-  
sources to fall back upon, and, content  
with keeping a foothold, may look for-  
ward with some confidence to recover-  
ing hereafter whatever credit and terri-  
tory it may temporarily be com-  
pelled to forego. The "staying power"  
of the vast Muscovite dominion,  
with its infinite variety of races  
and types, is an element which the  
prudent Statesmanship of Tokio is  
not likely to overlook or under-  
estimate. Nothing could illustrate  
more eloquently the extraordinary diffi-  
culty of political risks and responsibil-  
ities than the ramifications of interest  
in the pending difficulty. The Foreign  
Ministers of the great Continental  
States have to take account of it in its  
bearing not only on the possibility of a  
peaceful solution of the troubles in the  
Balkans, but also as involving the  
stability of the whole intricate system  
of European alliances and sub-alliances.

France is an ally of Russia, Great  
Britain is bound to Japan, and both  
Powers have to fear lest occasion  
should arise for meeting the liabilities  
of the contract. But, confin-  
ing our attention to the spot itself, we  
find China for once seriously and almost  
intelligently aroused to a sense of its  
danger. It is convinced that Japan is  
an ally worth having and worth help-  
ing. Even a tumultuary levy in the  
Northern marches might be useful  
auxiliaries, and under Japanese train-  
ing the Chinese soldier would become  
a formidable combatant. As to the  
United States, it is committed by its  
past action to strenuous insistence on  
the principle of freedom of commercial  
access, and would assuredly be disposed  
to regard with goodwill any measures  
that would compel Russia to observe its  
Treaty obligations in the Manchurian  
provinces of the Chinese Empire.

As is well-known, the *Standard* is re-  
garded as the semi-official mouthpiece  
of the party at present in power in Great  
Britain, and the above-quoted remarks  
may, we think, be taken as reflecting  
the opinions of the best statesmen in  
England at the present time. To ex-  
press the hope that peace may be main-  
tained is simply to repeat the common  
platitude. The British Government is  
faced with a very serious prob-  
lem, the most serious since the Boer  
war. It will not readily plunge the  
nation into another costly struggle, and  
the fear of European complications  
will act as a strong deterrent, but it is  
difficult at the present moment to see  
how Britain can avoid taking up arms  
in aid of her Japanese ally. Japan  
must be maintained as a first-rate Power  
in the Pacific. Unless Great Britain is  
content to play a secondary role in Far  
Eastern affairs, she must assist Japan to  
maintain the balance of power. With-  
out British naval assistance, Japan can-  
not emerge unscathed from a conflict with  
Russia. The question of the hour is—  
In the event of war will Great Britain  
assist her ally? On the answer to that  
question hangs the fate of Japan.

**Hongkong Christian Union.**  
The Annual Meeting of the Union will  
be held on Monday evening, at 6 o'clock,  
immediately following the usual Prayer  
meeting, in the room of the Union, Bencoe's  
field Arcade, for the purpose of electing  
officers, etc., for the current year. A cer-  
dial invitation is extended to all who are  
interested.

**Hockey.**  
The 3rd Burnside Hockey team defeat-  
ed the Hongkong Hockey Club easily by  
five goals to one yesterday afternoon at  
Happy Valley. From the start the  
soldiers had the Club safely held, and as  
the game went on they showed their  
superior play. The team for the Club was  
as follows:—Gilson, goal; Murphy and  
Harvey, backs; Kyrvett, Hardy and Gray,  
halves; Hooper, Wodehouse, Stevens,  
Davies, and Chater, forwards.

**Cholera.**  
OR inflammation of the bowel or large  
intestine is of more frequent occur-  
rence during the summer months. It can  
be checked and cured if Chamberlain's  
Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy is taken  
according to the printed directions with  
each bottle. Chamberlain's Colic and  
Diarrhoea Remedy is invaluable to all  
medicine chests. Get a bottle to-day; it  
may save a life. For sale by all chemists  
and medicine vendors; WATKINS Ltd.,  
General Agents.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
**Notes by the Way.**  
Lord Kitchener arrived at Calcutta on  
December 22 privately from Simla.

The N.Y.K.S. *Shinagawa Maru*, 1,344  
tons, stranded off Omayenki, has been  
abandoned.

The local agent of the Norddeutscher  
Lloyd sends us an artistic calendar for the  
current year.

The Committee of the United Service  
Club, Calcutta, are building new premises  
in Chowringhee Road.

The wrecked steamer *Maruense*,  
stranded off Muroran, Hokkaido, was ad-  
vised for sale by tender.

Vice-Admiral Togo, who commands  
the Japanese Standing Squadron, has re-  
moved his flag to the *Mikasa*.

On the 12th ult., the P. and O.  
steamer *Jara* landed in London £103,000  
worth of Mexican dollars from Singapore.

A snake, 6 ft. 5 in. long, was caught  
alive in a manhole at Arthur-street, Chelsea,  
last month. It is said to be an Indian  
snake.

The Worshipful Company of Merchant-  
Taylor have sent £10-0-0 to the Bank of  
England for King Edward's Hospital Fund  
for London.

One of the assassins of U Han-zan has  
been sentenced to death by the Court at  
Hiroshima, Japan, and the other to impris-  
onment for life.

Admiral of the Fleet Sir F. W.  
Richards, who was Commodore in Hong-  
kong ten or twelve years ago, has been  
placed on the retired list.

The Viceroy of India held his first  
levee of the season at Calcutta on Dec.  
21st. There was a large attendance and a  
complete absence of overcrowding.

The N.Y.K.S. *Kiushu Maru*, formerly  
on the Australian line, is going on the  
Shanghai line in place of the *Yamaguchi  
Maru*, to be chartered by the Government.

Captain Henry D. Barry, R.N., has  
been appointed Director of Naval Ordnance  
and Torpedoes, in succession to Rear-  
Admiral Angus MacLeod, to date from the  
1st inst.

Major-General H. F. Grant, Com-  
manding the 5th Division, Second Army  
Corps, at Dover, has selected Major R. S.  
Webber, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, for his  
Aide de Camp.

When the late Prince Konoye's illness  
took a turn for the worse, he was promoted  
to the Japanese Court rank of the Junior  
First Grade, and the Second-Class Order of  
the Sacred Treasure was conferred on him.

An announcement in yesterday's *Go-  
vernment Gazette* states that the treaty  
between the United Kingdom and China  
of Sept. 5, 1902, respecting Commercial  
Relations was ratified by the contracting  
parties at Peking on July 28, 1903.

The death occurred at Wick, near  
Bristol, on the 5th ult., of Mrs Martha  
Jeffries, at the age of 101. Deceased, who  
was born at Dyrham on May 6, 1802, had  
been a widow since the death of her hus-  
band on April 3, 1850.

The *Kobe Chronicle* says that efforts  
are being made to trace Mr Sidney Reilly,  
a British subject, manager of the Copen-  
hagen East Asiatic Co.'s branch at Port  
Arthur, who arrived at Kobe from Port  
Arthur on the 18th of November, left the  
Great Eastern Hotel there on the 19th, and  
has not been heard of since.

**The Billiard Championship.**  
H. W. Stevenson, the ex-holder of the  
Professional Championship, has forwarded  
his formal challenge to Mr Sydneyham  
Dixon, the hon. secretary of the Billiard  
Association, accompanied by a cheque for  
£25, to meet C. Dawson, the present  
holder of the title. Stevenson suggests  
March 7 next as a convenient date for the  
match to be commenced.

**New Shallow-Draught Gunboat.**  
The Admiralty have ordered a new  
armed shallow-draught gunboat to be built  
for the Royal Navy at the works of Messrs  
Vickers and Co., Ltd., at Harland and  
Wolfe.

The new vessel is to be named the *Widgeon*, and will be  
larger than the *Teal*, which was built two  
years ago and sent to the China Station.  
The *Widgeon* will be equipped with quick-  
firing guns.

**Shooting in the Channel Fleet.**  
Letters from the Channel Fleet state  
that the flagship *Majestic* has won Lord  
Charles Bessborough's Challenge Cup for long  
range shooting. The same ship also won  
the Flag-signalling Competition; the cruiser  
*Hogue* being second. The Admiral, ad-  
dressing the captains of the guns, said the  
Squadron's firing had greatly improved.

The percentages of hits had quite doubled.  
The best shots, Petty Officers Carter, of  
the *Jupiter*, and Trimmer, of the *Majestic*,  
were worth their weight in diamonds to  
the country. Captain Homer, R.M.A.,  
of the *Hamadryad*, has won the Jewel of the  
Channel Fleet Marine Rifle Association.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
The Oriental Hotel Co., are about to  
erect a first class modern hotel on Lot 6,  
the Bund, at Kobe.

The training-ships *Hoshidate*, *Mat-  
sushima*, and *Hakushima* are to be com-  
missioned for special duty as during the  
China Japan war.

**The Weather.**  
During December, 0.85 of an inch of rain  
was registered. The temperature ranged  
from 74.7 degs on the 15th to 47.4 on the  
22nd.

**The Mag'stracy.**  
We understand that Mr H. Gompertz  
becomes Acting Police Magistrate in place  
of Mr J. H. Kemp, who is appointed  
Assistant Secretary of the Sanitary Board.

**A Youthful Offender.**  
Ernest Carneiro, a lad of thirteen years  
of age, was before Mr T. Sercombe Smith  
at the Magistrate's court charged with  
stealing two boxes of cigars, three silk  
handkerchiefs and two pairs of socks, valued  
at \$8.40, the property of S. Nagua, L.  
Baptista and V. Alcantara, seamen on the  
U.S.S. *Reinhorn*. Evidence to the effect  
that the men purchased the articles on  
Jan. 1, and that the boy stole them was  
given, and His Worship sentenced the lad  
to twelve strokes with the birch.

**Fires at Calcutta.**  
The Bridge Line steamer *Farrell*  
*Bridge*, which was loading coal at Kidder-  
pore Docks, Calcutta, for Bombay, took fire  
on Dec. 19. Although strenuous efforts  
were made to put it out, the fire was still  
uncontrolled at 3 p.m. next day, but con-  
siderably reduced. Much damage was done.  
A destructive fire also broke out in a sweet  
meat shop on Strand Road on Dec. 21,  
which spread to a range of godowns, and  
before it was subdued property to the value  
of a lakh of rupees was destroyed.

**Gibraltar No Use!**  
According to the *Figaro*, M. Poincaré,  
French Minister of Marine, made the fol-  
lowing assertion, in a speech on the 3rd  
ult. at a private banquet:—"Nothing  
would be easier than to capture Gibraltar  
from the English. As a fortress it is only  
a big bluff." "A fine phrase," the *Figaro*  
remarks ironically, "and full of wisdom  
and diplomacy, and from the lips of a  
French Minister of Marine it constitutes a  
fair reply to the visit of the President of  
the Republic to London. We shall have  
more to say upon this subject to-morrow."

**A False Alarm.**  
At about 6 o'clock last night word was  
passed to the fire station that a vessel  
lying alongside the Kowloon wharves was  
on fire. The firemen hastily donned their  
fire-fighting clothes and hurried down to  
the ferry to reach the scene of the alleged  
outbreak. On arrival at Kowloon no  
traces of any fire could be discovered, but  
it was ultimately stated that the American  
transport *Rainbow* had hoisted the admiral's  
signal at the mast-head, which was mis-  
taken for the local fire signal. The  
firemen returned across the harbour, no  
doubt contented that the alarm was false,  
and that their services were not required.

**Pastures New.**  
In "Pastures New," Mr R. D. Thomas  
has given us a connected account of a trip  
from Canton to Wuchow, via the West  
River. Commencing from Hongkong the  
writer takes us straight to Canton, and then  
begins to describe the trip. Both sides of  
the river are treated, together with all the  
items of interest met with, as well as the  
legends connected with them. These he  
deals with in detail, and tells his story in  
an interesting manner. The stopping places  
en route are described and the various pro-  
ducts of the country are noted. Taking  
the volume on the whole it is worthy of  
personal, and cannot fail to be of interest  
to tourists who desire more than a simple  
view of this interesting trip. A map of the  
river from Canton to Wuchow is also  
enclosed in the book, and there are two  
illustrations.

**Amateur Billiard Championship.**  
The match for the Amateur Cham-  
pionship, between Mr S. S. Christy and Mr C.  
V. Diah was concluded on the 4th ult. at  
the Grand Hall, Leicester-square, W., be-  
fore a large attendance of spectators. Mr  
Christy again had all the best of the play,  
and compelling breaks of 58, 53 (full),  
46, 41, 29, 23 (twice), 22, and 20 (three  
times), led at the interval by 481 points.  
Mr Diah's best efforts amounted to 37, 33,  
23, 27, 22, and 20, and the adjournment  
scores were:—Mr Christy (in play), 1591;  
Mr Diah, 1020. There was another good  
company at night, when Mr Christy once  
more had matters his own way. He made  
runs of 66, 43, 33, 32, 31, 30, 27, and 23  
to his opponent's best of 54, and Mr  
Christy finally won the Championship by  
681 points, the finishing scores being:  
Mr Christy, 2300; Mr Diah, 1314.

**Baby Cough Must Never Lingor.**  
NOTHING is more distressing than to  
see a helpless little infant suffering  
with a cough and to be fearful of using a  
remedy which may contain some harmful  
ingredient. The makers of Chamberlain's  
Cough Remedy positively guarantee that  
this preparation does not contain opium  
in any form, or any other harmful sub-  
stance. Mothers may confidently give this  
prompt relief and is perfectly safe. It  
always cures, and cures quickly. For sale  
by all chemists and medicine vendors;  
WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

## TELEGRAMS.

['CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE']  
SUPPLIED BY REUTER, VIA HOMBAY.

## THE RUSSIAN REPLIES.

## MINISTERS IN CONFERENCE.

Baron Rosen Still Ill.

LONDON, January 8.

Baron Komura, Minister of Foreign  
Affairs for Japan, and Baron Rosen,  
the Russian Minister, held a conference  
at the Russian Legation at Tokio on  
Wednesday afternoon.

It was announced that Baron Rosen  
was still indisposed, but what trans-  
pired at the conference has not been  
made known.

[Another telegram from Reuter, pub-  
lished elsewhere, states that Baron Rosen  
presented the Russian reply to Japan's  
demands on the 6th inst.—En C.M.]

## A COUNCIL OF WAR.

IMPORTANT MEETING AT  
TOKIO.

Cabinet, Army, and Navy Confer.

LONDON, January 8.

An Important Council of War was  
held at Tokio yesterday, when there  
were present the Premier, Field-  
Marshal Viscount Taro Katsura; the  
Minister for Foreign Affairs, Baron  
Jutaro Komura; the Minister for War,  
Major-General Masatake Terauchi;  
the Minister for Marine, Admiral  
Baron Gombei Yamamoto, and the  
Chiefs of the Military and Naval  
staffs.

The proceedings of the conference  
were kept a profound secret.

## ELDER STATESMEN MEET.

## TO CONSIDER THE SITUATION.

LONDON, January 8.

In view of the report of the Russian  
reply to Japan's demands the Japanese  
Cabinet has had several meetings, and  
there will probably be a meeting of the  
Elder Statesmen to-day to consider  
the position.

## [REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE RUSSIAN REPLY.

LONDON, January 7.

It is officially reported from St. Peters-  
burg that Baron Rosen yesterday presented  
the Russian reply to the Japanese Cabinet  
through Baron Komura, the Japanese  
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The United States are telegraphing in-  
structions to Admiral Evans for his guid-  
ance in the event of hostilities. The policy  
is to observe the strictest neutrality unless  
American treaty rights are infringed.

BOILER EXPLOSION IN H.M.S.  
'WALLAROO.'

An explosion of boilers in H.M.S. *Wal-  
laroo* has occurred at Sydney, resulting in  
43 (?) killed.

[A subsequent telegram states that four  
men were killed and three wounded, the  
signal having been misread.—En C.M.]

## INDIAN ARMY NEWS.

Major Oregan and Leigh, R.E., have  
been placed under orders for duty in India  
and come from England in February next.  
Major Playfair, Hampshire Regiment,  
has resigned his appointment of Deputy  
Assistant Adjutant-General, Madras Com-  
mand, and has been transferred to the  
Home Establishment.  
Colonel Scott, North Staffordshire, is  
permitted to retire.  
Sergeant Patrick, 1st Royal Munster  
Fusiliers, receives a commission in the  
Royal Irish Regiment.

## Narrow Escape of a Train.

The *Standard* of the 7th ult. reports:—  
The Scotch express had a miraculous escape  
on Saturday morning. Travelling at a  
mile a minute, near Crewe, the engine  
encountered a huge bale of paper, which  
evidently had fallen from a passenger train.  
The obstruction was whirled round like a  
ball, and torn into small pieces, which were  
so scattered over the engine and carriages  
that when the train ran into Crewe it looked  
as if it had just passed through a  
snowstorm.

## The Rev. C. Salisbury's Escape.

A telegram from Victoria (B.C.) with  
regard to the stranding of H.M.S. *Flores*  
says that some of the officers had a narrow  
escape. The Rev. Charles Salisbury, the  
Chaplain and Naval Instructor, being for a  
few moments in considerable danger. The  
shock of the collision awoke him, and the  
inrushing water in a few seconds flooded  
his bed. He and the other officers escaped  
in their night clothes, losing all their  
effects. They were afterwards clad in  
Bluejackets' costumes.











## Notices to Consignees.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.  
NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship **SACHSEN** OF THE NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 1st January, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 15th January, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 20th January, 1904, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 8, 1904.

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Co's Steamship **Perma**, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. To-day, the 8th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 8, 1904.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship **Asia**, Capt. SCHONFELT, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 11th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

HONGKONG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP LINE.

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA AND KOBÉ.

CARGO on the above Steamer having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the latter Steamer.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, January 2, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship **ARARA**, Capt. J. M. WILLIAMSON, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the WANCHAI STEAMSHIP CO., Ltd., at WANCHAI, where they are being stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 13th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on a date to be hereafter appointed.

Consignees of Cargo will please note that before delivery can be obtained, they must sign the General Average Bond, which is lying at the Office of the undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. CO., Hongkong, January 5, 1904.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

## Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
Total Funds at 31st December, 1902, £16,378,771.  
Authorized Capital £3,000,000  
Subscribed Capital £2,750,000  
Paid-up Capital £2,687,500 0 0  
Fire Funds £2,867,216 14 10

HAVING been appointed Agents of the above Company we are prepared to accept European and Chinese RISKS at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 20, 1903.

## Intimations.

## MINERAL ASSAYS &amp; ANALYSES.

THE YANTON VALLEY COMPANY, LTD., having its own well equipped Laboratory, is prepared in order to assist in the Mineral Development of China, to assay work of all descriptions. Quantitative Analyses, and to classify minerals for Mine owners and others.

Mineral value and consultations arranged by appointment.

Terms moderate.

Address: THE LABORATORY, Cable Address, "YANTON," Shanghai.

5th October 1903.

## 和 廣

KWONG WO, COAL MERCHANTS.

No. 17, CHIU LOONG STREET (NEAR MISSES, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.) HONGKONG.

Hongkong, August 14, 1903.

## TANG YUEN.

BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.

Splendid View of Harbour.

No. 18, MACDONNELL ROAD. Under European Management.

Apply at the House, or at FAIRALL & CO., Opposite Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, June 10, 1903.

## BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

"KILLADOON,"

ON North Spur of MORRISON HILL, 104, WANCHAI ROAD—Light, airy and well-furnished Double and Single Rooms, with full view of the Harbour.

For Terms, Apply on the Premises, to Mrs G. S. WEBB.

Hongkong, July 7, 1903.

## MARTIN'S

APIOL-STEEL

PILES

A French Remedy for all Irritations, Inflammations, and Pains of the Rectum, whether arising from Hemorrhoids, Stricture, or any other cause. It is a purely vegetable preparation, and is entirely free from any dangerous or deleterious ingredients. It is sold in all the principal Pharmacies and Chemists.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 1, 1904.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £284,374.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors: CHAN KIE SHAN, Esq., J. SCOTT HAMILTON, Esq., CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq., J. LAURE, Esq., G. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Esq.

Interest for 12 months fixed ... 5%.

Hongkong, May 12, 1903.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,125,000.

RESERVE FUND, £2,625,000.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits: For 12 months ... 4%.

For 18 months ... 4 1/2%.

For 24 months ... 5%.

For 36 months ... 5 1/2%.

For 48 months ... 6%.

For 60 months ... 6 1/2%.

For 72 months ... 7%.

For 84 months ... 7 1/2%.

For 96 months ... 8%.

For 108 months ... 8 1/2%.

For 120 months ... 9%.

For 132 months ... 9 1/2%.

For 144 months ... 10%.

For 156 months ... 10 1/2%.

For 168 months ... 11%.

For 180 months ... 11 1/2%.

For 192 months ... 12%.

For 204 months ... 12 1/2%.

For 216 months ... 13%.

For 228 months ... 13 1/2%.

For 240 months ... 14%.

For 252 months ... 14 1/2%.

For 264 months ... 15%.

For 276 months ... 15 1/2%.

For 288 months ... 16%.

For 300 months ... 16 1/2%.

For 312 months ... 17%.

For 324 months ... 17 1/2%.

For 336 months ... 18%.

For 348 months ... 18 1/2%.

For 360 months ... 19%.

For 372 months ... 19 1/2%.

For 384 months ... 20%.

For 396 months ... 20 1/2%.

For 408 months ... 21%.

For 420 months ... 21 1/2%.

For 432 months ... 22%.

For 444 months ... 22 1/2%.

For 456 months ... 23%.

For 468 months ... 23 1/2%.

For 480 months ... 24%.

For 492 months ... 24 1/2%.

For 504 months ... 25%.

For 516 months ... 25 1/2%.

For 528 months ... 26%.

For 540 months ... 26 1/2%.

For 552 months ... 27%.

For 564 months ... 27 1/2%.

For 576 months ... 28%.

For 588 months ... 28 1/2%.

For 600 months ... 29%.

For 612 months ... 29 1/2%.

For 624 months ... 30%.

For 636 months ... 30 1/2%.

For 648 months ... 31%.

For 660 months ... 31 1/2%.

For 672 months ... 32%.

For 684 months ... 32 1/2%.

For 696 months ... 33%.

For 708 months ... 33 1/2%.

For 720 months ... 34%.

For 732 months ... 34 1/2%.

For 744 months ... 35%.

For 756 months ... 35 1/2%.

For 768 months ... 36%.

For 780 months ... 36 1/2%.

For 792 months ... 37%.

For 804 months ... 37 1/2%.

For 816 months ... 38%.

For 828 months ... 38 1/2%.

For 840 months ... 39%.

For 852 months ... 39 1/2%.

For 864 months ... 40%.

For 876 months ... 40 1/2%.

For 888 months ... 41%.

For 900 months ... 41 1/2%.

For 912 months ... 42%.

For 924 months ... 42 1/2%.

For 936 months ... 43%.

For 948 months ... 43 1/2%.

For 960 months ... 44%.

For 972 months ... 44 1/2%.

For 984 months ... 45%.

For 996 months ... 45 1/2%.

For 1008 months ... 46%.

For 1020 months ... 46 1/2%.

For 1032 months ... 47%.

For 1044 months ... 47 1/2%.

For 1056 months ... 48%.

For 1068 months ... 48 1/2%.

For 1080 months ... 49%.

For 1092 months ... 49 1/2%.

For 1104 months ... 50%.

For 1116 months ... 50 1/2%.

For 1128 months ... 51%.

For 1140 months ... 51 1/2%.

For 1152 months ... 52%.

For 1164 months ... 52 1/2%.

For 1176 months ... 53%.

For 1188 months ... 53 1/2%.

For 1200 months ... 54%.

For 1212 months ... 54 1/2%.

For 1224 months ... 55%.

For 1236 months ... 55 1/2%.

For 1248 months ... 56%.

For 1260 months ... 56 1/2%.

For 1272 months ... 57%.

For 1284 months ... 57 1/2%.

For 1296 months ... 58%.

For 1308 months ... 58 1/2%.

For 1320 months ... 59%.

For 1332 months ... 59 1/2%.

For 1344 months ... 60%.

For 1356 months ... 60 1/2%.

For 1368 months ... 61%.

For 1380 months ... 61 1/2%.

For 1392 months ... 62%.

For 1404 months ... 62 1/2%.

For 1416 months ... 63%.

For 1428 months ... 63 1/2%.

For 1440 months ... 64%.

For 1452 months ... 64 1/2%.

For 1464 months ... 65%.

For 1476 months ... 65 1/2%.

For 1488 months ... 66%.

For 1500 months ... 66 1/2%.

For 1512 months ... 67%.

For 1524 months ... 67 1/2%.

For 1536 months ... 68%.

For 1548 months ... 68 1/2%.

For 1560 months ... 69%.

For 1572 months ... 69 1/2%.

For 1584 months ... 70%.

For 1596 months ... 70 1/2%.

For 1608 months ... 71%.

For 1620 months ... 71 1/2%.

For 1632 months ... 72%.

For 1644 months ... 72 1/2%.

For 1656 months ... 73%.



